

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ELMWOOD
Park and Recreation Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes for December 8, 2021

- A. Call to order: Ed. Basile called the meeting to order @ 6:16 P.M. in the TWP Hall.
- B. Roll Call: Committee members present were Ed. Basile, Noel Flohe, Board member Deborah Allen, Fernando Meza, and TWP Planner Sarah Clarren (quorum met). Not present were Kyle Trevas, Supervisor Jeff Shaw and Chuck Raney from Buildings & Grounds.
- C. Public Comment: None.
- D. Agenda Modifications/Approval: No modifications; moved by Deborah, second by Noel to approve as presented—U.
- E. Minutes for June 30, 2021: Moved by Noel, second by Ed. to approve as printed after modification to correct the word “esophagus” to soffit—U.
- F. Old Business: 1 Ice Skating Rink: Ed. had gathered a packet of info from *Rink System*, *KwikRink*, and *Smartrink* vendors for committee review. Two possible locations for a synthetic ice rink were identified which require a hard surface underneath as a portable rink foundation; our tennis court and parking surface near the fire station. The favored location would be the tennis court because it is enclosed (fence) and without concern for emergency exits. Plywood sheets are needed beneath the synthetic surface which would accommodate “any skate-type use.” Rubber matt panels surrounding the skating rink area adds liability benefits. Either of the two locations identified would accommodate either of the 80ft. X 40 ft. or 80ft. x 60ft. cost plans quoted to the committee. Upwards of 20+ years use expectancy.

Other items noted by the committee:

- 1. Company quotes provide first setup costs. Committee estimates annual \$5,000.00 TWP costs for teardown & annual setup and maintenance (eg. snow blowing once/weekly and day time supervision when used). Summer storage either old or new fire station?
- 2. Committee feels use should be limited to daytime only, and for family recreation use, not organized hockey.
- 3. What about a warming house? Sufficient lighting?
Restroom facilities if pavilions closed during winter months?
- 4. To do its due diligence, the committee wonders about how much interest in the community there is for this facility? How do we survey this interest and should such a project be considered for next year’s season?

Board & Committee member Deborah Allen moved, second by Fernando Meza, for Board consideration & direction; “After considerate review of location, material, liability, costs, and maintenance, the Committee has come to a concession that the next

step is to request public input to determine the value and consideration of the public skating rink as part of the 2022 Park & Rec. Plan"—U.

G. New Business: 1. Discussion on next meeting: Our TWP Recreational Plan needs to be updated soon. So the committee will start meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of the month for 2022 @ 6:00 P.M. in the TWP Hall.

H. Adjourn: Moved by Noel, second by Fernando to adjourn at 7:22 P.M.—U.

Submitted by Noel Flohe, Parks & Rec. Committee acting Secretary.